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November 28, 1994

Mr. Daniel Beagan, Director  
Bureau of Transportation Planning & Development  
Chairman, Route 2 Corridor Advisory Committee  
Executive Office of Transportation & Construction  
Ten Park Plaza, Room 4150  
Boston, MA 02116

Dear Mr. Beagan:

In the interest of working cooperatively and productively with you through the Route 2 Corridor Advisory Committee (CAC), we are providing you with a "Statement of Purpose and Agreement" among the three Towns that participate in the CAC, as follows:

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE AND AGREEMENT  
Among the Towns of Acton, Concord and Lincoln, MA  
For the Route 2 Corridor Advisory Committee**

**Mission of the Route 2 Corridor Advisory Committee (CAC):**

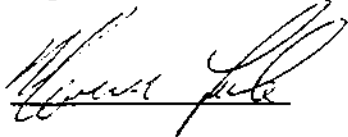
The mission of the Route 2 CAC is to bring about short-term and long-term improvements to Route 2 that improve safety, increase the efficiency of traffic movement, and maintain appropriate local circulation. Our top regional priorities are Crosby's Corner and the Concord Rotary, in that order. Local priorities will be determined by each Town, and one Town will not take any action that dictates or contradicts another Town's local priorities.

**In recognition of this mission, we are in agreement on the following:**

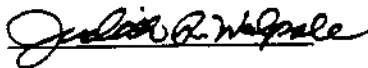
1. While improvements to commuter rail and other public transportation services in the "Route 2 Corridor" are priorities for our Towns, the focus of the CAC will be solely on improvements to Route 2 itself in order to accomplish the CAC's mission.
2. The CAC will include the Massachusetts Highway Department (MHD), the Bureau of Transportation Planning & Development (BTP&D) and the Central Transportation Planning Staff (CTPS). It will not include public transportation agencies, such as the MBTA, or address other transportation issues that could divert attention from Route 2.
3. At a minimum, the Towns will expect quarterly meetings of the CAC at which MHD and CTPS will be asked to report reasonable progress on long-term and short-term improvements to Route 2.
4. We will expect these improvements to be accomplished in segments so that we can gain funding for them in each annual Transportation Improvement Program. Our target date for the long term improvements is the year 2000.

5. The three Towns will meet as needed outside of the quarterly CAC meetings to reach agreement on improvement priorities, and on any other issues that arise, so that we can send one message to the State at CAC meetings.
6. The CAC and the three Towns will not support additional travel lanes on the mainline of the Route 2 corridor.
7. It is the intent of the CAC to seek improvements that maintain the existing rural and scenic character of Route 2, to the extent that this is consistent with the mission statement above.
8. Cooperation and negotiation among our Towns' CAC members are essential to our mission. Our joint efforts through the CAC should bring about more timely attention to Route 2 improvements by enhancing our abilities to influence state decision-making and receive priority for planning, engineering and construction funds.
9. Each Town will designate one member of its Board of Selectmen and one member of its Planning Board to attend CAC meetings. An effort will be made to ensure that at least one member from each Town attends each CAC meeting so that the state agencies recognize that the CAC is representative of all three Towns.
10. Each Town's CAC members will communicate with, and provide copies of CAC meeting minutes, to their other board members in order to ensure that all Selectmen and Planning Board members are kept up to date and are in agreement with CAC actions.

*This statement of purpose and agreement will serve as a guide for our participation in the Route 2 CAC in recognition of the importance of Route 2 improvements to our citizens and the fact that our cooperation is essential to achievement of this goal.*



Norman Lake, Chair  
Acton Board of Selectmen



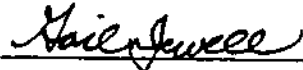
Judith Walpole, Route 2 CAC  
Concord Board of Selectmen



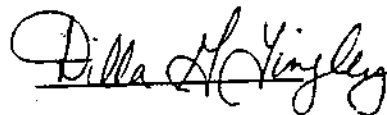
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Acton Planning Board



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Concord Planning Board



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Senator Robert Durand (for Acton)  
Senator Lucile Hicks (for Concord and Lincoln)  
Representative Pamela Resor (for Acton and Concord)  
Representative Stephen Doran (for Lincoln)  
Congressman Martin Meehan